

Career Research Paper

General Information

1. You are writing a 5-10 page paper using Google Docs.
2. This is a research paper: you are investigating a chosen career field.
3. Your primary source for your information will be the Occupational Outlook Handbook which is a database created by the Bureau of Labor Statistics under the auspices of the U.S. Department of Labor. (www.bls.gov).
4. You must use the OOH and 2 other sources that are not part of the BLS site. They must be credible sites that relate directly to the information you need for the paper.
5. Your paper will have a Works Cited page that is separate from the 5-10 page requirement. You must list the sources on this page following MLA requirements. Use a bibliography site to help you (noodletools, easybib, etc.). Additional research help is at: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>.
6. Your Google Doc page should be set up to have one-inch margins, with a size 12 font, in a normal font. Please double space, as well. In a header, please provide your name, the due date, and the title "Career Research Paper." Please make this header right-aligned. [SHARE WITH ME AT MY GMAIL ADDRESS: whetrick26@gmail.com]

Organization

Please follow this general outline format:

I. Introduction

Hook (What was your spark of interest? Tell an anecdote about that time . . .)

Introduce your chosen career.

Thesis Statement

II. Education and Training

Required education described in detail

Training that may be needed

Where will you fulfill those requirements?

What will it cost for your education, including room and board, etc.?

III. Job Responsibilities

Duties

Sub-specialities

Miscellaneous other information

IV. Salary and Job Prospects

Beginning salary, median income, top ten percent

Overall Job outlook (rural, urban, etc.)

Job prospects (where you desire to live)

Opportunities for advancement

V. Work Environment and Schedule

Environment

Typical schedule

VI. Conclusion

What I learned about my chosen career . . .

Evaluation

Your paper will be evaluated on the following criteria:

Adherence to all requirements (as stated above), including the Works Cited page.

Mechanical/grammatical components (REVISE, EDIT, REVIEW before you submit to me (I am grading the final draft, only).

I may offer advice and editing recommendations as you are writing it--so share it with me at my gmail address right from the start.